

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CRYPT YOUTH**

The Crypt Youth continues to grow and thrive, with new members coming along each week. We are looking for more volunteers who can either do the first session from 4 pm-5:30 pm, the second session which is 5:30 - 7pm or both sessions which run on Thursday. No experience required! Just a willingness to have conversations with our young people, and to help with crafts, games and have fun! Please contact Emily on email: emilylscib@hotmail.com

### **PLEA FOR HOLIDAY CLUB AT ST MARY'S CHURCH – 18-21 AUGUST**

We are asking for anyone who does face painting, or knows someone who does, who might do some on a day during the holiday club in August, Wednesday 20th.

Also, does anyone have or know someone who has guinea pigs, gecko, rabbits, spiders or similar small animals. (not dogs or cats) Please let Pattie Morris know, or Debbie/Karen in the office.

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## **BIDEFORD PARISH BULLETIN**

Part of the Mission Community of  
Bideford, Landcross, Littleham, Monkleigh and Weare Giffard

*Our Purpose:*  
**TO SEEK FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD**

### **SUNDAY 13 JULY 2025 FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

- 8 am Said Holy Communion  
President: Rev'd Robin Pirrie
- 9.30 am All-Age Family Service  
All-Age Team and Rev'd Fran Allison
- 11.15 am Encounter
- 6 pm Patronal Evensong at Littleham

*(11 am Celtic Communion, Landcross – Rev'd Robin Pirrie)*

### **SUNDAY 20 JULY 2025 FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

- 9.30 am Celtic Communion, and Junior Church  
President: Rev'd Claire Rose-Casemore  
Talk: Rev'd Robin Pirrie
- 11.15 am Encounter
- (9.30 am Holy Communion, Weare Giffard – Rev'd Ruth Beckett)*  
*(11 am Holy Communion, Littleham – Rev'd Ruth Beckett)*

*This church currently has a policy of not taking collections during services.*

*If you would like to donate to the work and ministry of St Mary's Church, we would be very grateful. You can donate at the door using our contactless machine or post cash in the slot in the same unit. If you would like to find out about regular giving, then please speak to one of the clergy or one of the Church Wardens. Thank you for your kind generosity.*

## **COLLECT**

Gracious Father,  
by the obedience of Jesus  
you brought salvation to our wayward world:  
draw us into harmony with your will,  
that we may find all things restored in him,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

## **FIRST READING Colossians 1.1-14**

### **Salutation**

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,

To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae:  
Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

### **Paul Thanks God for the Colossians**

In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow-servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

## **GOSPEL READING Luke 10.25-37**

### **The Parable of the Good Samaritan**

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. 'Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.' And he said to him, 'You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.'

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?'

Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend." Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'

## **PRAYERS**

Please pray for Rachel Millard.

## **DATES OF EVENTS AND MEETINGS THIS WEEK**

Mon 14	9.30 am Holy Dusters 2 pm Mothers' Union 7.30 pm PCC Meeting
Tues 15	10.30 am Holy Communion 2.30 pm Reflections 7 pm Rehearsal for Licensing Service
Wed 16	9.30 am Music Makers 11.30 am Moreton Court Holy Communion 7 pm Rev'd Ruth Beckett's Licensing Service
Thurs 17	4-5.30 pm Crypt Youth (7-11s) 5.30-7 pm (11-16s)
Fri 18	11.15 am -1 pm Friday Diner 6 pm Choir Practice
Sat 19	8 am Morning Prayer
Sun 20	9.30 am Celtic Communion, and Junior Church 11.15 am Encounter

## **WEDNESDAY 16 JULY (7PM) REV'D RUTH BECKETT'S LICENSING SERVICE**

Please join us on Wednesday 16 July at 7 pm for Rev'd Ruth Beckett's Licensing Service at St Marys and to welcome her and John, her husband to our Mission Community. The service will be led by the Right Rev'd Dr Mike Harrison, Bishop of Exeter. There will be light refreshments after the service.